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25X1A9a and I greatly enjoyed our conversation with you on March 23rd. It served to acquaint us with your situation and the plans of your Institute. Through discussions here a number of our colleagues have also become aware of increasing capabilities.

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Regarding the project which we discussed, I regret to report that the proposal has been disapproved. No doubt was expressed as to the need for some knowledge on this subject, but it was felt that the project could not make a sufficiently direct contribution in the very specific field of our current research responsibility within the present framework of budgetary limitations. Although your other proposals were presented to higher levels along with our own, no possibilities of using your services are presently foreseen.

I should like to emphasize that we maintain the highest regard for your personal qualifications. Should an opportunity for using your services present itself our office will contact you through established channels.

Sincerely yours,

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